



Colorado Crop Progress

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Agricultural Summary: Colorado experienced average temperatures with some precipitation reported along the I-70 corridor. Sporadic precipitation came with some hail and strong winds for the northeastern and eastern regions of the State. Only a few showers and windy conditions were reported in other counties resulting in below average precipitation. The limited rainfall and warmer temperatures cause concern for range conditions. The mountain snowpack is still above average with reports of flooding in the northern parts of the State but the southern region is reporting very dry conditions. Farmers were allowed 6.1 days in the field for spring operations last week.

TOP SOIL MOISTURE BY PERCENT

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
This Week	9	35	54	2
Last Week	14	19	65	2
Last Year	7	19	73	1

SUBSOIL MOISTURE BY PERCENT

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
This Week	19	24	55	2
Last Week	16	21	61	2
Last Year	5	19	76	0

Small Grains: Winter wheat was 99 percent headed with 59 percent turning color, 17 percent ripe and 9 percent harvested at the end of last week. The crop is rated in mostly fair to good condition after reports of hail affecting the crop in the eastern regions of the State. Spring barley was 43 percent headed and rated in mostly good to fair condition. Spring wheat was 34 percent headed and rated in mostly fair to good condition.

Row Crops: Corn was rated in mostly good condition. Sorghum was 90 percent planted and 43 percent emerged and rated in mostly fair condition after reports of high winds and dry conditions in the growing areas. Sugarbeets and onions were rated in mostly good condition. Summer potatoes were 95 percent planted with 72 percent emerged and rated in mostly fair condition. Fall potatoes were 83 percent emerged by the end of last week with the crop rated in mostly fair to good condition. Sunflowers were 91 percent planted and rated in good to fair condition. Dry beans reached 66 percent emerged and rated in fair to good condition.

SMALL GRAIN CONDITION BY PERCENT

Week ending June 26, 2011

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Winter Wheat					
This Week	16	19	31	28	6
Last Year	2	5	21	60	12
Spring Barley					
This Week	0	2	39	49	10
Last Year	0	4	37	50	9
Spring Wheat					
This Week	0	7	50	35	8
Last Year	0	5	44	42	9

Pasture and Range: Pasture and range feed conditions are quite variable and were rated in poor to good condition across the State. Alfalfa cuttings progressed to 78 percent of the 1st cutting complete, with the crop rated in mostly good condition.

Livestock: Death losses for cattle and sheep were still rated average for the State. Stored feed supplies were also rated average for this time of year. Dry conditions in the eastern and southern regions have raised concerns of declining feed supplies for livestock. Producers in the eastern and southeastern regions have started to reduce their herd numbers due to the declining range conditions and limited feed supplies.

PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION BY PERCENT

Week ending June 26, 2011

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Pasture & Range-2011	15	25	21	30	9
Prev. Year - 2010	2	8	28	53	9
5-Year Avg.	11	17	28	36	8

COLORADO CROP PROGRESS

Development Ratings for Week Ending June 26, 2011

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg.
Winter Wheat				
Headed	99	98	100	100
Turning Color	59	35	64	79
Ripe	17	3	19	34
Harvested	9	N/A	7	11
Spring Barley				
Headed	43	26	53	51
Spring Wheat				
Headed	34	14	40	43
Sorghum				
Planted	90	70	98	89
Emerged	43	25	82	66
Sunflowers				
Planted	91	70	93	91
Alfalfa				
1 st Cutting	78	64	84	81
Dry Beans				
Emerged	66	41	93	71
Fall Potatoes				
Emerged	83	65	98	91
Summer Potatoes				
Planted	95	82	100	100
Emerged	72	60	100	91

COLORADO CONDITION RATINGS 1/

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Livestock	0	3	19	65	13
Corn	4	4	25	59	8
Sorghum	8	19	58	14	1
Dry Onions	1	2	9	79	9
Alfalfa	1	9	25	54	11
Sunflowers	9	7	38	46	0
Dry Beans	6	15	41	35	3
Sugarbeets	1	1	30	59	9
Fall Potatoes	0	2	48	38	12
Summer Potatoes	7	2	60	22	9

1/ Crop condition ratings pertain to emerged plants early in the growing season through plants remaining to be harvested late in the season.